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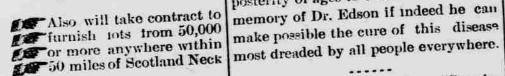
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EFFECT OF TEA CIGARETTES. They Give One a Sensation of Thick-

"Won't let thee have a wheel, my dear That's his opinion, well I know."

And will not hear a single word. Exclaimed the dear old Quaker dame.

"But thee shall have thy wheel, my

So wipe away that needless tear. I do not see the reason why Thy father frowns at industry; For in the good time, long ago, Each maiden had her wheel, I trow. A blooming lass her wheel beside, Is surely sight to view with pride. time and saw many ups and downs, So here's the money, sweet, for thee,

> Alas for gray-haired innocence! Maid Margaret spinning blithe and gay Her task she never loitered at, But it was on her wheel she sat. Erect stood grandma's tresses gray, And then she fainted dead away! -Lena C. Kraetzer.

Thrift.

Biblical Recorder.

to-do. He has a right to expect to be out being broken, and so as to be left that if the Cubans stick to it awhile if he is honest and industrious—and pliable and capable of being stuffed longer they will win their cause. And his wife is thrifty. The plain people in the paper cylinder, while the dampof the South have the great secret of ness is not sufficient to stain the paper. all Americans will be delighted to see Write that word large above your hearthstone :- THRIFT.

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Tough Customers.

parson. His country parish raised his salary from three hundred to four hundred dollars. The good man objected

"First," said he, "because you can't afford to give more than three hun-

"Second because my preaching is

not worth more than that. "Third, because I have to collect my salary, which heretofore, has been the hardest part of my labors among you. of miles of Scotland Neck most dreaded by all people everywhere. If I had to collect an additional hun-

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What is Home Without Slippers?

Helena (Mont.) Independent.

ening in the Head.

Cincinnati Tribunc.

One of the most injurious and dangerous of new fashions is the tea cigarette That this is no empty, baseless story of a new craze is shown by the application made last week to the commissioner of internal revenue at Washington for permission to manufacture me away from home?" tea cigarettes in Michigan. The applicant was told that he must comply with the law governing the manufact- he interrupted. "What is an evening uring of tobacco cigarettes, tea being at home with heavy boots on your a substitute for tobacco, that he must teet? Mrs. Miffler, what do you think register, give bond and so on, and that the cigarettes, when made, must be packed, stamped, branded and labeled, exactly as the tobacco cigarettes, before the government would sanction

Several descriptions of the tea cigarette have been printed, but these have erred in the presumption that the tea was taken as sold, rolled up in a paper and smoked. This would be practically impossible, as the sharp edges of the tea would cut the paper in all directions, spoil the draft and render the cigarettes unsmokable.

To make the tea cigarette one takes being composed of unbroken leaf and dampens it carefully, just enough to Every man ought to desire to be well- permit the leaves to be unrolled with-

vet to learn. It is hidden in the word days and are then ready to be smoked. "thrift." It is said that Benjamın The feeling of a tea cigarette in the Franklin made New England wealthy mouth is peculiar. The taste is not so by teaching the people this lesson. disagreeable as might be supposed, but Thrift lays by a little money, no mat- the effect on the tyro is a sense of ter how little, and is not discouraged if thickening in the head and a disposithe pile does not grow as fast as hope tion to take hold of something or sit had had it. Thrift buys a home, even down. If the beginner quits them, if fine dresses and costly parties have to that settles it, he will not try tea cigarbe dispensed with. Thrift never wastes ettes again. If, however, the smoker anything; it saves the odds and ends, sits down and tries a second cigarette, making use of the scraps, whether they inhaling it deeply, then the thickening are of clothes, or victuals, or time. feeling passes and is succeeded by one Thrift educates the children, if not at of intense exhilaration. The nerves great schools, in the neighborhood are stimulated until the smoker feels school-house; if not there, in the home like flying, skirt dancing or doing into articles of convenience and utility reaction of the stomach sets in.

fects of the tea cigarette. The agony one quality on which its utility is based of the opium fiend is a shadow to that is weight, and almost every metal that of the nauseated victim of the tea cig- cannot be used in any other fashion arette. It will be hours before food finds its way into the sash weight. Tin can be looked at, yet the first step to- cans that are too far gone to be pressed ward a cure is a cup of tea. An hour out for further preserving uses, old harit often is, it soon becomes restless, and atterward comes the craving for the ness buckles, zinc bath tub linings, as soon as ne was gone the elderly woll-

.The Largest School in the World.

Within a stone's throw of Whitechapwhich will resent ill treatment so el, London, surrounded by some of the promptly that they will be less likely to very worst slums, stands the largest be abused than is the horse. For very school in the world. It is presided over rough work among stumps and on rocky by a peer of the realm, Lord Rothschild, land oxen wil do better work, and be who is regarded with love and admiraless liable to break farm implements tion by every pupil, for he is indeed than will horses. Ox teams were com- their good fairy. This school educates mon in the early days, when there was 3,500 children belonging mostly to the much wood land to be cleared, and poorest foreign Jews, and has a staff of

It is well-known that this is Lord Rothschild's pet institution, and that were it not for his munificent support, the school would be unable to meet its vast expenditure. It is owing to his generosity that free breakfasts are given every morning to all children who wish them, no question being asked. Again, he presents every boy with a suit of clothes and a pair of boots, and every girl with a dress and a pair of boots in the month of April, near the Jewish Passover.

An idea of the poverty of the children may be gleaned from the fact that not more than two per cent. of them decline to avail themselves of this charity. A second pair of boots is offered in the month of October to every child whose boots are not likely to last dur-

not get them. A very popular feature in the school is the savings bank department, instituted by the kindly president. In or-

It remains to be mentioned that in

He had taken off his boots and was down on his hands and knees searching for something, when his wite noticed

"What are you looking for, William?" she asked. "My slippers," he replied.

"Oh, I gave those old things away to-day," she said. "You gave them away?" he repeated, and then he added, solemnly:

"Of course not, I-" "What is home without slippers?" constitutes home?"

"Why, you can ge; another pair," she protested.

"Of course I can," he exclaimed. "I can get a new pair of stiff soled their removal from the factory for slippers, and spend thirty days breaking them in."

"The others were torn, and-"

were comfortable. When I got them Slippers, Mrs Miffler, help me to make gasps said : the difference between the home and green leaf which has but little dust, the office, and old slippers make the that your two sons, John and William, America. Address Thos. A. P. Champdifference greatest."

"I can't see why-"

ever can; but I tell you if I were run- have always treated me with more conning things I'd make every woman sideration than any of my acquaintwhat is needed more than anything The lawyer protested. His sons had GREAT SOUTH AMERICAN KIDNEY take a course in slippers. That is ances." else in that line. Just slippersnothing but slippers "

ute or two, and then put on his boots contented. After a half hour of expos-"This isn't home," he said bitterly

It isn't a bit like it. I'm going to the club."

Sash Weights.

Philadelphia Record.

The ingenuity of man in converting the useless odds and ends of industry something else entirely out of the com- is shown to advantage in the ordinary mon way. This stage lasts as long as window sash weights. Without these the smoke continues, which is until the a house keeper's life would be a burden, but few have any idea of the materials Words cannot describe the final ef- of which the weight is composed. The broken nails, shatterdd screens and a hundred other remnants spurned by the mass of people combine there to serve an important public use.

Rely on Yourself.

Nothing better could happen to the young man who has the right kind of grit, than to be thrown on the world and was given up and told I could not and his own resources. A well to-do live. Having Dr. King's New Discovjudge once gave his son a thousand dollars, and told him to go to college and graduate. The son returned at pottles was up and about again. It is the end of the first year, his money all gone, and with several extravagant keep store or house without it." Get habits. At the close of the vacation the judge said to his son, "Well, William, are you going to college this year?" I have no money, father." "But I gave you a thousand dollars to graduate on." It is all gone, father.' "Very well, m / son ; it is all I could give you; you can't stay here; you must now pay your own way in the world." A new light broke in upon the vision of the young man. He accomodated himself to the situation; again left home, made his way through college, graduated at the head of his class, studied law, became Governor of the State of New York, entered the standing between the manufacturer and Cabinet of the President of the United ourselves that each and every bottle is States, and has made a record that will guaranteed to cure any of the following scarcely necessary to state that few do not seen die, for he was none other

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HERE SHE IS. WELL, WHO IS SHE?

The Meanest Woman Alive.

Norfolk Virginian.

There is an elderly spinster down in Lancaster county, Pa., who has earned the reputation of being the meanest 11 4 92 ly. woman alive, says the New York Sun. Her whole career has tended in the direction of upholding her right to this unenvied repute, but a recent act of hers absolutely clinched her claim in "Mrs. Miffler, are you trying to drive the minds of her neighbors.

Her meanness got her into litigation by reason of the cleverness and hard Co., Druggists, Scotland Neck, N. C. work of her lawyer. She anticipated that the counsel's bill would be large, and although a woman of means, the thought of having to part with several hundred racked her mentally and phys- been used for over fifty years by mil-

One day the lawyer received a hurried call to her room, where, it was said she was at the point of death. He the best remedy for Diarrhea. Is "That's why I liked them! They found his cuent ill abed, breathing pleasant to the taste. Sold by Drughard and apparently very weak. She gists in every part of the World. on things seemed homelike. I was explained that she expected to die very settled for the evening, and a four shortly, and as she had no near kin, horse team could not get me out again. she wished him to draw up her last But now-now I am ready for the will and testament. The lawyer made club, or theatre, or any old place. ready, and then the old woman between

"I want you to make the will out so will divide between them all my property at my death. They are fine lads, "Of course you can't. No woman and I appreciate the fact that they

no claim on her; perhaps she had some poor, deserving relative. No, there was He got up and stamped around the none, the spinster insisted. John and room in his stockinged feet for a min- William to get all or she would not die tulation the lawyer finally gave in and drew up the will in favor of his sons ately. If you want quick relief and and had it duly signed and witnessed. Then it was placed in a drawer, where the testator said it would be found at

her death. She was fast growing weaker, but managed to say: "Now, before I die, I wish to settle my bill with you for le

"But, madam, after such generosity I can not take a cent for such services Your goodness to my sons a thousand times more than repays me for my work. I will not take a cent."

"But you must. I wish to leave this world free of debt. Name the sum at

Then she reached under her pillow and drew forth her purse. The lawyer, to satisfy her, named the ridiculously small sum of \$20, which he received and gave a receipt to her for. This done, he backed out of the room. But as soon as he was gone the elderly womrailroad spikes, rusty telegraph wires, sprightly manner, ran to the drawer, got the will and threw it into the fireplace, where it went to ashes and smoke. she carefully filed away the receipt, dressed herselt, and is living to-day.

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THE EDITOR'S LEISURE HOURS.

Present. Past and Future.

railways is a machine fixed to a flat

against the weeds and kill them. The death of "Brick" Pomeroy, which "Well, well-a-day, it is a shame!" occurred recently leaves a gap in the line of newspaper writers of his kind that will remain a gap for a long time. quarter of a century ago Pomeroy's papers were eagerly read by the thousands all over this country. He was a most remarkable man of his

It has been given out that General Espied, upon the following day. Weyler expects that by June 1897 the Spanish powers will have subdued the island of Cuba and the war will ended. In the face of this, however, the statement is made that Spain has already lost more men in the war than there are Cubans under arms. The prevailing opinion, it seems, outside of Spain and Spain's sympathizers is,

The great Confederate reunion in Richmond last week brought together almost unnumbered thousands who engaged in the impressive ceremonies. Governor O'Ferrell's speech of welcome was eloquent and many touching incidents were related in the various peeches made. It was a time and an occasion that awakened many sad memories and that caused the fire of battle to flash again for a moment from the eyes of many a battle-scarred veteran. The old soldiers of both sides are fast passing away and the annual reunions a decade hence will see only a sprinkling of either those who wore the gray

or those who wore the blue. Leslie's Weekly says that if you de populate New York City and sweep it clean and turn the Christian Endeavor population will be fully replaced. And on the outside there will still ever to do anything that is expected of be seven hundred thousand knockng at the gates. This shows a great army of Christian Endeavorers, into matters pertaining to religion and morality, such statements are astounding; but there are willing workers for the depraved of of humanity all over this world, however much some prate

about the natural deprayity of the race. "Aseptolin" is a fluid which Dr. Cyrus Edson has successfully used in the curing of consumption. It is said that W. H. JOHNSTON. in many cases imitations have been used but proved a fatal poison. The aseptolin prepared in Dr. Edson's laboratory has cured between fifty and sixty per cent. of the cases which have been treated with it. One case is most remarkable. It is said that Dr. Edson did not wish to undertake the man's case as one lung was entirely gone; but after seven months' treatment he is practically well, does not cough and can take strong exercise. Surely the posterity of ages to come will bless the memory of Dr. Edson if indeed he can

> Mr. N. K. Fairbank, the millionaire pork-packer of Chicago, became interested in pretty Mrs. Leslie Carter after her sensational divorce in that city ing men and women, have prepared some years ago, and engaged Mr. David Belasco, the dramatist and stage manager, to train Mrs. Leslie Carter work with his fair pupil, trained her for two years, and he says she worked hard and really accomplished much bill to Mr. Fairbank which read "sixtyfor learning a pretty woman how to be price 10 cents to \$1.00 per bottle.

A MISUNDERSTANDING.

"My sweetest grandchid, Margaret-Points and Paragraphs of Things What's put the child in such a pet? Come, quickly now the cause reveal." "Papa won't let me have a wheel,"

Maud Margaret sobbed, with streaming

The latest electrical appliance on Her grandma listened with surprise. That certainly is very queer ! How can my son be such a goose? Perhaps ne thinks it's not for use, And that thee wants it just for show.

> "No, papa says he can't afford, Now, grandma, isn't it a sin. For it I had one, how I'd spin!"

successes and failures in journalistic Go, buy thy wheel right speedily."

success, from a domestic standpoint, The esgarettes are laid aside for a few

A good story is told of a Connecticut